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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR OF ADMINISTRATION, OSD

ATTENTION: Assistant for Special Security Programs,  
Lt. Col. F. B. Mitman

SUBJECT: Use of Human Volunteers in Experimental Research

ATTACHED: CW 107/17, 13 November 1952

1. The TS memorandum prepared for the Secretaries of the military departments, a copy of which was submitted to this office for comment, promulgates the recommendations of the Armed Forces Medical Policy Council. These were read to the Committee on Chemical Warfare at its meeting on 10 November 1952. A Committee recommendation on this question, developed independently of the AFMPC document, was reported to the Chairman, RDB, in CW 107/17. This goes a step or two beyond the AFMPC recommendation in calling for a system of rewards for volunteers, and for recognition of government liability in case of accident.

2. The whole need of the CW program for human volunteers, in the judgment of this Committee, cannot be met by an arrangement that allows acceptance of volunteers from personnel normally on duty at installations engaged in such research. For this purpose the permissive statement should be subject to the interpretation that uniformed volunteers could be assigned to temporary duty at the experimental installation for the purpose of engaging in the program as test subjects. This is the essence of the British system, which we are advised has worked quite well.

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